

EXECUTIVE ORDER #169

Relating to Amending the Order Arming the Wisconsin National Guard

WHEREAS, on Thursday morning, July 16, 2015, a terrorist attack on an armed forces recruitment center and Naval Reserves Operational Center in Chattanooga, Tennessee, resulted in the death of five United States service members and wounded many others; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin proudly has thousands of National Guard members who protect the citizens of the State; and

WHEREAS, these attacks are becoming more prevalent in recent years; and

WHEREAS, every precaution must be taken to ensure that our servicemen and women are protected from possible future attacks; and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 4 of the Wisconsin Constitution establishes the governor as the Commander-in-chief of the military and naval forces of the state and provides that he shall transact all necessary business with the officers of the military; and

WHEREAS, under Section 321.30 of the Wisconsin Statutes, the organized militia of this state shall be known as the "Wisconsin national guard";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SCOT'T WALKER, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of this State, including Sections 321.23(1)(c) and 321.39(1)(a)1. of the Wisconsin Statutes, do hereby:

- 1. Authorize and direct the Adjutant General to arm certain Wisconsin National Guard personnel as reasonably necessary to preserve the lives, property, and security of themselves and other persons subject to the threat of an attack as occurred in Chattanooga, Tennessee and elsewhere across the country; and
- 2. Call to state active duty such elements of the Wisconsin National Guard as the Adjutant General deems necessary to provide security and other essential services at Wisconsin National Guard facilities; and
- 3. Authorize the Adjutant General to use personnel called to state active duty pursuant to this order in emergency status.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this twenty-first day of July in the year two thousand fifteen.

SCOTT WALK Governor WALKER

By the Governor:

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DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE Secretary of State